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Sir:

This is in response to the "final" Office Action mailed July 12, 2005, which set October 12, 2005 as the initial deadline for response. Thus a Petition for a one-month extension of time until November 12, 2005 is enclosed herewith, and this Reply is believed to be timely.

Claims 1-5, 7-10, 13, 14, 20, 21, 23-26, 28-30, and 46-54 are pending, with claims 20, 21, 23-26, and 28-30 withdrawn from consideration, and claims 4, 10, 53 and 54 indicated as allowable. Claims 1-3, 5, 7-9, 13, 14, and 46-52 are rejected. Reconsideration in light of the following revisions and remarks is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.